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§5–213.

(a) Each fiscal year, the State shall distribute the State share of the foundation program to each county board.

(b) Except as provided in subsections (c) and (d) of this section, each fiscal year, the county board shall distribute to each school the minimum school funding amount for the foundation program calculated under § 5–234 of this subtitle.

(c) (1) Each county board shall distribute to the local workforce development board for the county the following amount multiplied by the enrollment count in the county:

(i) For fiscal year 2024, \$62; and

(ii) For each of fiscal years 2025 and 2026, the prior fiscal year amount increased by the inflation adjustment.

(2) The funds distributed under paragraph (1) of this subsection shall be used to support the Career Counseling Program for Middle and High School Students established under § 7–126 of this article that is provided collaboratively by the workforce development board, the school, any other relevant State or local agencies, and employers.

(3) On or before June 30, 2024, and in each of the next 2 fiscal years, the local workforce development board, in collaboration with the county board and any other relevant State or local agencies, shall report to the Accountability and Implementation Board established under Subtitle 4 of this title on the use of the funds and the impact of the funds on providing career counseling.

(d) (1) In this section the following words have the meanings indicated.

(2) “Collaborative time per pupil amount” means:

(i) For fiscal year 2026, \$163;

(ii) For fiscal year 2027, \$334;

(iii) For fiscal year 2028, \$512;

- (iv) For fiscal year 2029, \$698;
- (v) For fiscal year 2030, \$891;
- (vi) For fiscal year 2031, \$1,093;
- (vii) For fiscal year 2032, \$1,306;
- (viii) For fiscal year 2033, \$1,527; and

(ix) For each fiscal year thereafter, the collaborative time per pupil amount in the prior fiscal year increased by the inflation adjustment.

(3) The collaborative time per pupil amount multiplied by the enrollment count in each county shall be distributed to and expended by schools in each county in accordance with Title 6, Subtitle 10 of this article and the county's collaborative time implementation plan approved by the Accountability and Implementation Board.

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